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TWO BIG OYSTER BOATS.**Soon To Be Launched at Story's
Essex Ship Yard.****Crafts Especially Constructed for
Shoal Water.**

There are at present on the stocks at Arthur D. Story's ship yard, Essex, two peculiar shaped craft which are attracting considerable attention. They stand on either side of a sharp bowed slick, gracefully-lined yacht-like fishing vessel, which accentuates the difference between the oyster boat and the Gloucester fishing vessel.

The two oyster boats are pretty well near completion, and one of them will probably be launched on the flood tide tomorrow.

Both boats are built upon the same lines, both being 74 feet long and something over 29 feet wide. They are not very deep, however, as they draw only about five feet of water. Unlike the modern fishing vessels those two boats have almost straight up and down sides, so that they are nearly as broad at the keel as at the deck planking, and they are pretty broad at the bow and give the impression of being very able sea boats.

They are built as strong as it is possible to construct a vessel of this kind, and the flat bottom is designed to scrape over the flats, as they are forced to be in shallow water in making over the oyster beds.

Each vessel is fitted with a tiny fore-castle with accommodations for two men, while a good sized cabin is fitted with two bunks and captain's stateroom. The hold is open all the way through.

The vessels will be schooner rigged, fitted with centerboards, and next season, 35 horse power gasoline engines will be placed in them.

One of the vessels is named Julia Davis and is owned by Capt. Horton, who with his wife and daughter have arrived to witness the launching which is expected to come off tomorrow.

The other vessel is named Mabel B. Patterson and is owned by Capt. Patterson, who is also on the ground watching the progress of her construction.

Both crafts will hail from Greenpoint, L. I.

In the summer these vessels carry three men, and the cargo is carried on deck, but in the winter they carry four men, and the oysters are stored in the hold, the hatches being built especially large to admit of rapid discharge of the catch.

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Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.

Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.12 1-2 cwt. for large, \$3.12 1-2 medium, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for haddock and \$1.50 for pollock.

Fresh round pollock, 80c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.30 per cwt.

Large fresh mackerel, 20 1-2 cts. each.

Fresh medium mackerel 12 cts. each.

Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.

Dressed fresh pollock, 85 cts. per cwt.

Fresh whiting, 50c per bbl.

Large salt mackerel, \$18.50 to \$18.75 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Georgianna, 25 swordfish.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 11,500 fresh medium mackerel, 78 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Frank Monroe, 45 swordfish.

Sch. Quonnapowitt, 30,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Albert Geiger, 4000 fresh medium mackerel, 15 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Ida M. Silva, 70 swordfish.

Haddock, \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$1.50; fresh mackerel, 25 cts. each for large 9 and 10 cts. each for medium; swordfish, 9 cts. per lb.

Fishing Facts and Fancies.

It is said that the largest animal which ever lived on this planet was the sulphur bottom whale of the Pacific ocean.

At one recent haul in the Illinois river 250,000 pounds of carp were secured.

Lake Erie is the world's biggest fish pond. It is estimated that 75,000,000 pounds of fish were taken out of it last year.

A plan has been completed for the building of 180 modern wharves on the water front of San Francisco. When finished they will give sixty miles of berth room for vessels engaged in the commerce of the port.

Aug. 24.

HOLDS HIS PLACE.**Veteran Capt. Joseph Smith in
Part with Splendid Fare.****Put Stock of Sch. Grayling Up in
Neighborhood of \$26,000.**

Arrivals of mackerel are none too plenty this morning, but one trip was of considerable interest, as it had a great bearing on the high line problem. Sch. Grayling, Capt. Joseph Smith, was the craft in question. She had 280 barrels of salt mackerel, and this fine fare held the veteran of the fleet secure in the high line position and boosted his stock to somewhere around the \$26,000 mark.

Sch. Miranda, Capt. Edward Morris, arrived this morning with 125 barrels of salt mackerel.

The receipts of foreign salt mackerel have been quite large for the week ending Thursday night totaling 1087 barrels, including 896 barrels Irish and 191 barrels Canadian. This was supplemented by 768 barrels Irish mackerel, which came in on the steamer Republic yesterday. These last were partly old fish.

The catch of fresh mackerel to date by the New England fleet has been 48,085 barrels, against 31,186 barrels in 1906, 54,591 barrels in 1905 and 43,887 barrels in 1904.

The total catch of salt mackerel by the New England fleet to date has been almost 26,000 barrels, against 7161 barrels in 1906, 27,693 barrels in 1905 and 25,566 barrels in 1904. The imports of fresh mackerel for the season to date, have been 4967 barrels, against 14,935 barrels in 1906, 6890 barrels in 1905 and 4092 barrels in 1904.

The total importation of salt mackerel for the season to date has been 528 barrels against 13,818 barrels in 1906, 9149 barrels in 1905 and 3488 barrels in 1904.

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HAD HIS VESSEL FULL.**Capt. James M. Goodwin Weighed
Off 204,000 Pounds of Shack.**

When sch. Ella M. Goodwin came in a few days ago, her quiet skipper, Capt. James M. Goodwin, hailed his fare for 190,000 pounds, and then remarked that he really could not say just what he had, as his craft was full and he never had her that way before. The vessel hauled in at Davis Bros., as usual, and when the trip was tallied up it was found that she had weighed off the splendid total of 203,700 pounds of fresh fish.

On this big fare the fine stock of \$3427.16 was made and the crew of 22 men each shared \$95.37 as the result of the short voyage. The fare is the largest of the season in the shack fishery, indeed it is many years since it has been excelled and the stock and share are also right up in the king row.

Capt. Goodwin sticks to fresh fishing the year round, haddock in winter and shacking in summer, and lands all his fares at this port. Thus far this year he has rolled up a most enviable stock, thus keeping pace with the record he has made for himself, year after year, as one of the smartest men of the fresh fishing fleet.

ALMOST \$20,000.**Is the Stock of Sch. Slade Gorton
Since Last of April.**

Sch. Slade Gorton, Capt. George E. Heckman, stocked \$1908 as the result of her recent seining trip, the crew of 19 men sharing \$114.50 each.

Sch. Slade Gorton, since she started seining in the later part of April, has rolled up the splendid stock of \$19,917.11, which is the most money made by any vessel in the seining fleet in the same time. Capt. Heckman, who is one of the leading winter haddockers, is to be congratulated on his remarkably fine showing. The craft sails again today, and should present prospects of mackerel hold, this fine stock will no doubt be materially increased.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.**Today's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Grayling, Rips, 280 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges, 28,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Sheffield, Rips, 45,000 salt cod.

Sch. Miranda, Rips, 125 bbls. salt mackerel.

Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.

Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.25 per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.12 1-2 cwt. for large, \$3.12 1-2 medium, \$2.50 for snappers and \$2 for haddock and \$1.50 for pollock.

Fresh round pollock, 80c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.30 per cwt.

Large fresh mackerel, 20 1-2 cts. each.

Fresh medium mackerel 12 cts. each.

Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.

Dressed fresh pollock, 85 cts. per cwt.

Fresh whiting, 50c per bbl.

Large salt mackerel, \$18.50 to \$18.75 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Uncle Sam, 8000 cod.

Sch. James R. Clark, 200 haddock, 19,000 cod, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 30,000 cod.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 45,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 400 pollock.

Sch. On Time, 20 swordfish.

Sch. Lochinvar, 27 swordfish.

Haddock, \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$1.75, pollock, \$1.75; hake, \$2; swordfish, 9 cts. per lb.

Aug. 26.

BRINGS MONSTER CARGO.**Steamer Eskdale Has 4200 Tons
of Salt from Iviza.****Is Probably Largest Merchant
Steamer Ever at This Port.**

One of the largest, if not the largest merchant steamer which ever visited this port is the Eskdale, which arrived here yesterday and dropped anchor in the outer harbor.

She hails from Glasgow, Scotland and comes from Iviza, Spain, with 4200 tons of salt, consigned to Fred Bradley, this being probably the largest cargo of salt ever brought to this port.

The steamer is 2996 tons gross, 1925 tons net, 3200 feet long, 42 feet 1 inch beam and 20 feet 9 inches deep.

The steamer sailed from Iviza, August 5, making the passage in 20 days. The captain reports a fine trip across except the last three days, when heavy westerly winds were encountered.

Aug. 26.

GOOD REPORTS FROM THE RIPS.

Large Fleet of Seiners Work-
ing on Fair Body of Fish.

FIVE GOOD FARES HERE TODAY

Capt. Joseph Smith High Line
with Splendid Stock, \$25,991.

According to latest reports there is now a fair body of mackerel on the Rips near the Rose and Crown shoals, but the seiners have been bothered by blowy weather and very shoal water which causes the tearing up of seines. Notwithstanding this, some vessels have made good hauls of late and practically the whole fleet is there.

The fish seem to be in small schools and not hard to catch if the seine does not hang up. Some of the schools are all large fish, while others are mixed, containing large, mediums and small fish.

This morning four of the seiners are at this port from that locality with good salt fares. Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Capt. Henry Curtis, has 190 barrels, sch. Colonial, Capt. Lemuel Firth, 128 barrels, sch. Smuggler, Capt. Owen Whitten, 168 barrels, and sch. Rob Roy, Capt. Maurice Whalen, 91 barrels.

The fares of schs. Mary F. Curtis and Smuggler sold to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co.

Sch. Grayling, Capt. Joseph Smith, stocked \$4991 on her fine salt mackerel fare, landed here Saturday afternoon, the crew sharing \$119.44. This gives Capt. Smith a stock thus far this season of \$25,991, or only \$9 short of \$26,000. It is certainly a magnificent record and shows judgment and stick-to-it-iveness will do. It gives Capt. Smith a fine lead for the high line honor and is gratifying to the hundreds of friends of the veteran as well as to all who appreciate merit and a disposition to work hard.

Sch. Arthur Binney, Capt. Rufus McKay, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon from the Rips, with 5000 fresh mackerel and 97 barrels of salt mackerel. The former were sold to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Co., and were quickly shipped to market.

Sch. Good Luck, Capt. G. Melville McClain, is at Boston this morning from the Rips with 14,000 fresh mackerel, 3000 of which are large and the rest mediums and small. The fish are selling at 13 cents per pound, which is said to be the first time that mackerel have ever been bought by the pound at T wharf, although about all fresh mackerel landed at Portland are sold in that manner.

The fare of sch. Ralph L. Hall sold to Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. at \$20 per barrel for large, \$16 for mediums and \$12 for small. The large fish were rimmed.

The fare of sch. Grayling sold to William H. Jordan & Co., at \$20 per barrel for large rimmed fish, \$16 per barrel for plain mediums and \$12 per barrel for plain small fish.

The Dominion Fish Bureau of August 22 reports the traps at Lunenburg, N. S., taking 300 mackerel. It also reports mackerel fair at Euseminac, N. B., and also fair at Bloomfield, P. E. I.

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New Italian Fishing Boat.

Another addition has been made to the fleet of Italian fishing boats that come to T wharf. The new boat, which is named Maria Concetta, is much larger than any yet owned by the Italian fishermen. She is 38 feet long, 12 feet beam and has 5 feet depth of hold. She is equipped with a 21-horse power naphtha motor and has berths in her roomy fore-castle for five men. The boat is owned by Tony Zafferino, who has already a couple of the large power dories, and he will use her for the present in torching for herring. Later she will be fitted out with trawls and will go fishing.

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Large Tautog.

C. A. Atwell, a summer resident of Mar-
mion Way, caught the largest tautog of the
season yesterday. Its weight was 12 pounds.

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Fine Shack Trip.
Sch. Moanum, Capt. Hugh Quintan, is
here from the Cape Shore this morning with
a fine shack trip, 150,000 pounds of fresh
fish.

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Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Smuggler, Rips, 168 bbls. salt mack-
erel.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Rips, 190 bbls. salt
mackerel.

Sch. Colonial, Rips, 128 bbls. salt mack-
erel.

Sch. Rob Roy, Rips, 91 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Arthur Binney, Rips, 5000 fresh
mackerel, 9 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Eglantine, Maine Coast, 115,000 lbs.
fresh fish.

Sch. Moanum, Cape Shore, 150,000 lbs.
fresh fish.

Sch. Ella G. Klnz, Georges, 30,000 lbs.
salt cod.

Sch. James A. Garfield, Rips, 17,000 lbs.
fresh fish.

Sch. Sylph, via Boston.

Sch. Senator, Quero Bank, 45,000 lbs.
fresh fish, 5000 lbs. salt cod, 7000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Dixie, Cashes, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, Georges, 80,000 lbs.
fresh fish.

Sch. Saladin, Rips, 35 bbls. salt mackerel.

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and 5 cts. for gray.

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Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do.,
\$1.50.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.25
per cwt., medium do., \$1.55.

Market price, salt bank cod, \$4 per cwt.
for large and \$3.25 for medium.

Market price salt Rips cod, \$4.12 1-2 cwt.
for large, \$3.12 1-2 medium, \$2.50 for snap-
pers and \$2 for haddock and \$1.50 for pollock.

Fresh round pollock, 80c per cwt.

Market price fresh hake, \$1.30 per cwt.

Large fresh mackerel, 20 1-2 cts. each.

Fresh medium mackerel 12 cts. each.

Market price fresh cusk, \$1.75 per cwt.

Dressed fresh pollock, 85 cts. per cwt.

Fresh whiting, 50c per bbl.

Large salt mackerel, \$18.50 to \$18.75 per
bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Good Luck, 3000 fresh large mackerel,
1100 fresh medium mackerel, 6 bbls. salt
mackerel.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 40,000 haddock,
18,000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 30,000 haddock, 5000
cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, 80,000 hake,
20,000 cusk.

Steamer Spray, 15,000 haddock, 1500 cod,
1000 hake.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 3000 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 27,000 cod.

Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, 23,000 cod.

Sch. Ramona, 10,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 7000 haddock, 18,
000 cod.

Sch. Stranger, 74 swordfish.

Sch. Yankee, 9000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 61 swordfish.

Sch. Robert C. Harris, 36 swordfish.

Sch. Mary E. Silveria, 15,000 haddock,
3000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, 64 swordfish.

Sch. Metamora.

Sch. Actor, 27 swordfish.

Sch. Regina, 35,000 haddock, 12,000 cod,
10,000 hake.

Sch. Benj. F. Phillips, 50,000 haddock.

Sch. Emily Sears, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod,
15,000 pollock.

Sch. James and Esther, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Etta Mildred, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Esther Gray, 56 swordfish.

Sch. Galatea, 4000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Maxwell, 1000 haddock, 4000 cod, 3000
pollock.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 15,000 cod, 15,000
pollock.

Sch. James A. Garfield, 25,000 cod.

Haddock, \$1.75 per cwt.; large cod, \$3.50;
market cod, \$1.50; pollock, \$1.75; hake, 1.50
to \$2.50; mackerel, 13 cts. per lb.; swordfish,
10 cts. per lb.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Yakima is on Parkhurst's railways,
fixing up. Capt. Alfred Green, formerly of
sch. Flirt, will fit her for haddocking.

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ON MIDDLE BANK.

Sch. Hattie L. Trask Made Good
Mackerel Haul Yesterday.

Vessel at Boston with 12,000
Large, Medium and Small.

Mackerel have struck in Massachusetts
Bay and to all appearances they are the
same kind of fish which the fleet have been
getting on the Rips, off Sankaty Head.

Sch. Hattie L. Trask, Capt. McDonald,
struck a fine school yesterday, 12 miles north
of Race Point, and reached T wharf, Bos-
ton, with her fare this forenoon. The trip
comprised 12,000 fish in count, being large,
mediums and small.

The fish sold at 30 cents each for large,
15 cents each for mediums and 6 and 6 1-2
cents each for small.

Capt. McDonald reports that sch. Specu-
lator was there and got a small haul at the
same time.

According to all reports, the experiment of
the T wharf dealers yesterday in buying
the fare of fresh mackerel of sch. Good Luck
by the pound, although decidedly advanta-
geous to Capt. McClain and his crew, was
financially disastrous to the dealers. As a
sample, one of the large fish in the lot
brought by weight 54 cents, about as high a
price as was ever quoted for a fresh mack-
erel from the vessel.

When the market opened it was evident
that every dealer on the wharf wanted
some of the mackerel, as all buyers were
gathered about the captain of the seiner.
The buyers wrangled among themselves,
and Capt. McLean proposed to settle all diffi-
culties by selling by weight. This was a
new proposition and the buyers seized upon
it, and an offer of 10 cents a pound was
made at once. The bidding went on until
the price was up to 13 cents a pound, at
which price the trip of mackerel was sold.

The buyers did not yet see how badly they
had put themselves in a hole until they be-
gan to figure the prices of the fish, and figured

out that their three-pound mackerel would
cost them 39 cents and the four-pounders 52
cents, while the mediums would run from 20
to 26 cents and the small mackerel from 10 to
13 cents apiece.

Then it dawned upon them that they were
paying record prices for the fish. They
stuck to the agreement, however, until all
had been served, and then Capt. McLean
offered to sell what was left at 10 cents a
pound.

The mackerel weighed out 18,000 pounds,
and 13,000 pounds were sold at 13 cents a
pound and the other 5000 pounds at 10 cents.
This will give the Good Luck nearly \$2000
for a trip that sold in the usual way at 80
much apiece for the fish would have netted
much less.

The fare of sch. Rob Roy sold to Glouces-
ter Mackerel Co. at \$19.50 per barrel for large,
plain, and \$12 per barrel for small.

The fare of sch. Arthur Binney sold to the
Gloucester Mackerel Co. for a lump sum,
\$1500.

The fare of schs. Mary F. Curtis and
Smuggler sold to the Gloucester Mackerel
Co.

The fare of sch. Colonial sold to George
Perkins & Son at \$19.50 per barrel for large,
plain, \$16 per barrel for mediums and \$12
per barrel for small.

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Where Is That Georges Bank Survey?

The New York Shipping Illustrated says:
"Transatlantic liners are being officially
asked by the Gloucester fishermen to steer
clear of the Georges Banks in order to avoid
running down the fishing schooners and do-
ries. Meantime, what about that projected
survey of the Georges Banks by the Hydro-
graphic Office? It was promised that the U.
S. S. Princeton would come around from
California, and get to work on the survey as
soon as possible, but at last accounts she had
gone to Puget Sound to lay up."

Big Swordfish.

The swordfishing sch. Stranger landed a
huge fish at Boston yesterday morning, which
brought down the scales at 525 pounds with-
out head or tail and cleaned. Sch. Esther
Gray had one weighing 450 pounds, from
which the men took several tull grown cod
when they opened the stomach to clean the
fish.